

## House Resolution No. 4556

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have admirably proven down through the years to be exceptional citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, Sherwood Kloppenberg is a longtime member of the Union community where he is known as an exemplary family man, the beloved husband of Catherine (Katie) McGowan, and the loving father of Cindy Ritter and Tim Kloppenberg; and

**Whereas**, Sherwood Kloppenberg joined the Union Volunteer Fire Department on April 12, 1955, after which time he served as Secretary from April 1966 to April 1976 and from April 1986 to the present, Chairman of the Union Volunteer Fire Department Bicentennial in 1990, Chairman of the Truck Committee for truck #243, and member of numerous committees; and

**Whereas**, in light of his dedication, skills, leadership, and knowledge, Sherwood Kloppenberg was selected as Firefighter of the Year in 1975 and received a Twenty-five Year plaque in 1980, a Forty-five Year plaque in 2000, and Perfect Attendance awards for participating in all fire drills and meetings during each of the past thirteen years; and

**Whereas**, born on April 26, 1934, Sherwood Kloppenberg served on active duty in the United States Army from January 11, 1957, through December 23, 1958, with seventeen months in Germany; and

**Whereas**, Sherwood Kloppenberg was a four-term Alderman and a forty-year-long businessman who owned Kloppenberg's Barber Shop from 1959 to 1999; and

**Whereas**, Sherwood Kloppenberg is an active member of Peace Lutheran Church where he serves on the Ushering Staff and reads the scripture lessons from time to time; and

**Whereas**, for nine years Sherwood Kloppenberg was on the American Legion Home Association Board which he served as Vice President for eight years:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive, and ongoing career of Sherwood Kloppenberg as a volunteer firefighter and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations as he reaches his fiftieth year with the Union Volunteer Fire Department; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Sherwood Kloppenberg of Union, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Brian Nieves  
District No. 98

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4556, adopted November 30, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker